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Volkswerft (former Krögerwerft) Warnemünde

1. At the beginning of October 1948, eight to ten fishing vessels were under construction in this yard; some were of the 18 meter and others of the 21 meter class. The output of these boats is limited to two or three a month because of a lack of dry timber and skilled labor. The yard employs a total of 830 men, but only about half of these are building fishing vessels.

Neptunwerft, Rostock

2. On 1 December 1948, the three slips were being cleared for the new program of fishing vessel construction which was to start on 15 December 1948. This schedule calls for three 33 meter fishing vessels of 200 tons displacement to be built simultaneously on each slip. The payroll of the Neptunwerft at the beginning of December 1948 included 3,300, but it is not known what proportion of this number is to be employed on fishing vessel construction.

Rhodewerft, Rostock

3. At the end of November 1948, three 18 meter fishing vessels per month were being launched. Some of the specifications are:
- a. beam - five meters.
 - b. keel deck - 2.7 meters.
 - c. engines-100 HP ~~BMW~~ diesel supplied by an unspecified firm in Saxony.
 - d. fuel tanks - two of 6,000 liters each.
 - e. speed - ten knots.

Sixty percent of the production of this yard is for reparations and 40 percent for German use. Up to now, however, only 15 percent has been received for German use. The finished vessels are first painted at the Volkswerft, Warnemünde, and then taken by German crews to the assembly center at Stralsund.

Volkswerft, Putnitz

4. The first fishing vessel will be launched from this yard in January 1949. It is of exactly the same type as is being built at the Rhodewerft, Rostock, where

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the plans were obtained. The payroll in mid-November 1948 was 400. Work is carried on in the five hangars of the former flying boat base; the airfield buildings are used for the accommodation of workers.

Stralsund

5. This is evidently an assembly point for fishing vessels being delivered on reparations account. On 23 November 1948, thirty-eight vessels of the 18 meter class were moored awaiting the provision of stores and nets before being sent on to the USSR. The Volkswerft, Stralsund, is producing fishing vessels at the rate of two per month.)

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